

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of all the claims in the application, with an indication of the status of each:

- 1 1. (Currently amended) A system for pervasive enablement of business processes, comprising:
  - 3 a workflow engine that executes a business process model;
  - 4 a context service that allows context-aware applications to obtain user
  - 5 context information;
  - 6 an interaction controller that acts as a proxy for one or more human
  - 7 participants in a workflow and
  - 8 receives specification of individual staff activities from the
  - 9 workflow engine, and
  - 10 upon receiving a staff activity specification,
  - 11 obtains context information of a partner instance from the
  - 12 context service to determine an appropriate collaboration modality for the partner
  - 13 instance, and
  - 14 forwards the engine responses from human partners back to
  - 15 the workflow engine, thereby handling individual interactions with human
  - 16 participants; and
  - 17 one or more modality adapters that encapsulate details of communicating
  - 18 with a specific collaboration modality to receive a task from the interaction
  - 19 controller and deliver the task to said partner instance in a modality-specific
  - 20 format.
- 1 2. (Original) The system in Claim 1, wherein the context service provides
- 2 dynamic context information about human participants.

- 1 3. (Currently amended) The system in Claim 2, wherein said dynamic context
- 2 information includes a human participants' participant's location, activity,
- 3 connectivity and preferences.
  
- 1 4. (Original) The system of Claim 2, wherein the context service supports both
- 2 synchronous query and asynchronous callback context functions.
  
- 1 5. (Original) The system in Claim 1, further comprising an address book that
- 2 maps individual IDs to modality-specific addresses, the interaction controller
- 3 accessing the address book to look up a modality-specific address.
  
- 1 6. (Original) The system in Claim 1, wherein the modality adapters include the
- 2 adapters for instant messaging, email, e-meeting, discussion threads, phones,
- 3 pagers, and other communication devices.
  
- 1 7. (Currently amended) A method for pervasive enablement of business
- 2 processes, comprising the steps of:
  - 3 using a workflow engine that executes executing a business process
  - 4 model;
  - 5 storing user context information;
  - 6 using a context service to provide said workflow engine with user context
  - 7 information;
  - 8 receiving specification of individual staff activities from the workflow
  - 9 engine to an interaction controller that acts as a proxy for one or more human
  - 10 participants in a workflow;
  - 11 obtaining context information of a partner instance from the context
  - 12 information service to determine an appropriate collaboration modality for the

13 partner instance;

14        directing human tasks to one of a plurality of modality adapters, each of  
15        which is adapted to exchange data with said human participants in a  
16        modality-specific manner to receive a task from the interaction controller and  
17        deliver the task to said partner instance in a modality-specific format; and  
18        gathering responses from human participants via said modality adapter.

1        8. (Original) The method in Claim 7, further comprising the step of mapping  
2        individual IDs to modality-specific device addresses.

1        9. (Original) The method in Claim 7, wherein said directing step is based on an  
2        explicit command when instantiating the business process model.

1        10. (Original) The method in Claim 7, wherein said directing step is based on  
2        dynamic context information on said human participant.

1        11. (Currently amended) The method in Claim 10, wherein said dynamic context  
2        information includes a human participants' participant's location, activity,  
3        connectivity and preferences.

1        12. (Original) The system of Claim 10, wherein the directing step supports both  
2        synchronous query and asynchronous callback context functions.